



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of the Mayor
Office of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Affairs

Mayor's GLBT Advisory Committee Meeting
Wilson Building Rm. 227
May 27, 2008

Present: Toni Collins, Brett Parson, David Mariner, Ivan Torres, Dr. Pierre Vigilance, June Crenshaw, Tyrone Hanley, Aubrey Dubra, Vince Micone, Adam Tenner, Bruce Weiss, Jose Guitterez, Christopher Dyer (staff) and Clarence J. Fluker (staff)

Minutes

- The meeting was called to order with no changes to the agenda. The minutes from the last meeting were accepted.
- Toni Collins introduced the newest member of the Aubrey Dubra.
- Committee reports by the head of each committee. The Health & Wellness committee proposed a list of recommendations to the Advisory Committee to submit to the District Department of Health. The committee voted to move forward with submitting the following recommendations:
 - Investigate the feasibility of adding questions about sexual orientation into health data tracking systems including the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS).
 - Explore the possibility of including questions about sexual orientation in any surveillance that the Addictions, Prevention and Recovery Administration utilizes to track residents in recovery and in future household surveys.
 - Work with the Office of GLBT Affairs in developing a report by September 1, 2009 on the state of GLBT health in the District of Columbia using GLBT specific data that has been collected.
 - Offer potential surveys and reports in Spanish and other appropriate languages.
- Dr. Pierre Vigilance, the Director of the DC Department of Health (DOH) spoke to the committee about his initial thoughts about DOH and the direction that he would like to see it move in during his tenure. He also engaged the group in a discussion about data collection.
- Christopher Dyer gave an overview of office activities since the last month and offered a preview of several upcoming events and initiatives.
- Advisory Committee members shared information about upcoming community events